

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI
 COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
 JULY 20, 1955

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi beginning at 8:00 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, July 20, 1955; Councilmen Fuller, Hughes, Mitchell, Richey and Robinson (Mayor) present; none absent. City Attorney Mullen and City Manager Weller absent.

Minutes of the meeting of June 29, 1955, were approved as written and mailed.

COMMUNICATIONS

CVD, LCC MEETING	Invitation to attend the Central Valley Division, League of California Cities, meeting in the City of Newman on July 21, 1955.
EMERSON SCHOOL PROPERTY PURCHASED	Letter from Dr. H. Lawson Smith, Superintendent of Schools, stating the Grant Deed of Emerson School property to City of Lodi was ready for final action, pending receipt of \$22,500 from the City. Councilman Mitchell moved, Richey second, that the City proceed with payment of \$22,500 for the Emerson School site with the understanding that "no strings" were attached to the sale by the Elementary School Board as to disposition of the property by the City and that the City had no specific use in mind for the property at the present time. Motion carried.
RECREATION DEPARTMENT ART DISPLAY	A memorandum from the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation to the City Manager requesting use of the alley between Pine and Oak Streets and immediately east of School Street for conducting a handicraft and art display on Monday, July 25, from 3:00 to 8:30 p.m. Closing of the alley during the times stated had been approved by the Police and Fire Departments. It was moved by Councilman Hughes, Richey second, and carried, that the request be granted.
SAFETY AWARDS	The Mayor then showed those present the awards received from AAA for pedestrian safety during 1954 and from the National Safety Council for traffic safety, stating that local citizens were to be commended for such safety records.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

LODI ARCH	Mr. Eric Woock, Chairman of the Lodi Arch Committee, stated from the audience that Building Official W. A. Norum and Herbert Hieb, Building Contractor and member of the Committee, had made an investigation of the north buttress of the arch and found it in much the same condition as the south buttress with rotting timbers and cracks in the stucco making the arch a hazard. Mr. Woock then stated that the Committee had made an estimate that it would cost between \$10-11,000 for a steel structure and between \$5-6,000 to recondition the arch, reconditioning being recommended by the Committee. Mr. Woock presented a letter from the Arch Committee wanting to know if the City had accepted or would accept ownership of the arch, as there would be certain responsibilities in the way of liability insurance, etc., when reconstruction was undertaken. The Mayor stated that if the public showed its willingness to have the arch restored by contributing funds, the Council would cooperate; however, the Arch Committee should have definite plans and raise the money first. The matter was taken under advisement until the next Council meeting.
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SPECS FOR PLANT MIX APPROVED Specifications for crusher run base and plant mix were approved and advertising authorized on motion of Councilman Hughes, Richey second.

CLERK AUTH. TO ACCEPT DEEDS FROM F & M BANK AND CHRISTIAN CH. The City Clerk stated that the City needed property on the north side of West Lodi Avenue between Church and School Streets belonging to the Farmers & Merchants Bank and the Christian Church for widening Lodi Avenue and the City Engineer recommended that the City assume cost of construction of curb, gutter and sidewalk if and when the property was deeded to the City. Councilman Fuller, Mitchell second, moved that the City Clerk accept the deeds for such property if and when granted, subject to the above mentioned provision. Motion carried.

INTENT TO ABANDON FALLS AVE. The City Clerk again presented the request from Henry Schneider that Falls Avenue in Schneider Tract No. 1 be abandoned since Crescent Avenue is being opened to Daisy Avenue on the south and abandonment under such circumstances had been previously agreed upon by the City. Councilman Richey moved, Fuller second, adoption of Resolution #1873, Intention to Abandon Falls Avenue, with public hearing set for September 7, 1955, at 8 p.m. So carried.

CULBERTSON APPOINTED TO PLANNING COMMISSION The Mayor then pointed out that the vacancy on the Planning Commission created by the decision of Robert Fuller not to accept reappointment had not been filled. James F. Culbertson was appointed to fill the vacancy on motion of Councilman Hughes, Mitchell second.

ORD. NO. 534 ADOPTED
WILLOW GLEN ANNEXATION
ORDINANCE NO. 534, ENTITLED "APPROVING THE ANNEXATION OF THE WILLOW GLEN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LODI AND DECLARING THAT THE SAME IS ANNEXED TO AND MADE PART OF THE CITY OF LODI", having been introduced at the regular meeting of July 6, 1955, was brought up for passage on the motion of Councilman Richey, Fuller second. Second reading was omitted after reading by title, and was then passed, adopted and ordered to print by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen - Fuller, Hughes, Mitchell, Richey and Robinson

NOES: Councilmen - None

ABSENT: Councilmen - None

Ordinance No. 534 was then signed by Mayor Robinson in approval thereof.

ORD. NO. 535 ADOPTED
TOKAY GARDENS ANNEXATION
ORDINANCE NO. 535, ENTITLED "APPROVING THE ANNEXATION OF THE TOKAY GARDENS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LODI AND DECLARING THAT THE SAME IS ANNEXED TO AND MADE PART OF THE CITY OF LODI", having been introduced at the regular meeting of July 6, 1955, was brought up for passage on the motion of Councilman Mitchell, Hughes second. Second reading was omitted after reading by title, and was then passed, adopted and ordered to print by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen - Fuller, Hughes, Mitchell,
Richey and Robinson

NOES: Councilmen - None

ABSENT: Councilmen - None

Ordinance No. 535 was then signed by the Mayor
in approval thereof.

At 8:35 p.m. the meeting was adjourned on motion
of Councilman Hughes.

ATTEST: 
HENRY A. GLAVES, JR.
City Clerk